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## SANDY COULD SEE A SILVER LINING

(By D. J. Walsh)

FROM the little shanty in the middle of his melon patch, Sandy Clay watched the black clouds rolling down from the northwest. "Nobody'd stop to steal melons in the face of a storm like that," he mused. Then he started for the cornfield, a short cut for home.

Five minutes later he emerged, limping from the porch and dropping into an old rocking chair, to recover his breath. Mrs. Clay and the two children were peering anxiously from the outside cellarway.

"Come out!" he commanded in a cheery voice. "It's no cyclone. Too late in the season. Anyhow, you never see twisters from clouds that reach clear across the sky like that."

"No," retorted Mrs. Clay, somewhat reassured but still apprehensive, "and you never heard of a straw shot from a hunter's rifle hitting you in the foot and laying you up for several weeks—all is did."

"There, now," said Sandy, "it might have been worse. Get into the house and we'll shut the door—it's safer. Here comes the overture."

The overture included howling winds driving sheets of rain in all directions while vivid lightning cut the blackness. Then came an ominous lull. A sharp click and a blue flash, instantly followed by an earth-jarring crash. The children crying.

"There, now," said Sandy. "Nobody's hurt—and it might have been worse." "Listen!" cried Mrs. Clay. "Worse is coming—hail!"

In five minutes all was over. Even the ground was still white with frozen pellets, the sun was breaking through the clouds and a beautiful rainbow formed the prosaic arch set with macabre tragedy for Sandy Clay.

A neighbor, driving by, paused at the gate. "Well, Sandy," he shouted, "your melon vines are pounded out of sight and your corn here is shredded, but the hail never touched your long rows in the lower bottom. The storm was just playing out when it reached here."

"Good!" exclaimed Sandy. "That over forty is good for seventy bushels of corn to the acre, so it might have been worse. Guess I've hitched up and driven round a bit—it's too muddy for the old car."

A few minutes later Sandy had returned from the stable and stood facing his family with an odd expression. "Well?" queried Mrs. Clay.

"It might have been worse," replied Sandy. "That crack of lightning might have burned the barn, but—we haven't my team now. I—I guess I'll walk over and take a look at the bottom row while—while you're getting supper."

In three-quarters of an hour he returned. The family ate their supper in silence till near the close, when Mrs. Clay spoke: "I thought I heard a roar of sound. Is it another storm?"

"No," said Sandy, pushing back from the table, "but the river is booming, like also the noise of the workmen coming with trainloads of stone and rails, to hold down the bridge and the long trestle. They've got wire spouts from up river, and they think to big fit across the bottom is sure to go."

Mrs. Clay eyed her husband sharply and then, at sight of his wry grin, burst into a hysterical laugh and exclaimed: "Go on! Tell me the south is a total loss, and don't forget to explain that it might have been worse!"

"It might," replied Sandy, gathering his children in his arms. "We've got no men yet, with all their lives, except five or six years, before 'em—and the mortgage on the farm it's due all next month."

"And maybe by that time your foot will be well enough to walk when we start tramping," said Mrs. Clay, still sighing back the tears, "and maybe then you'll have learned the folly of throwing up a good position for at the end, the free and independent life of the jolly husbandman."

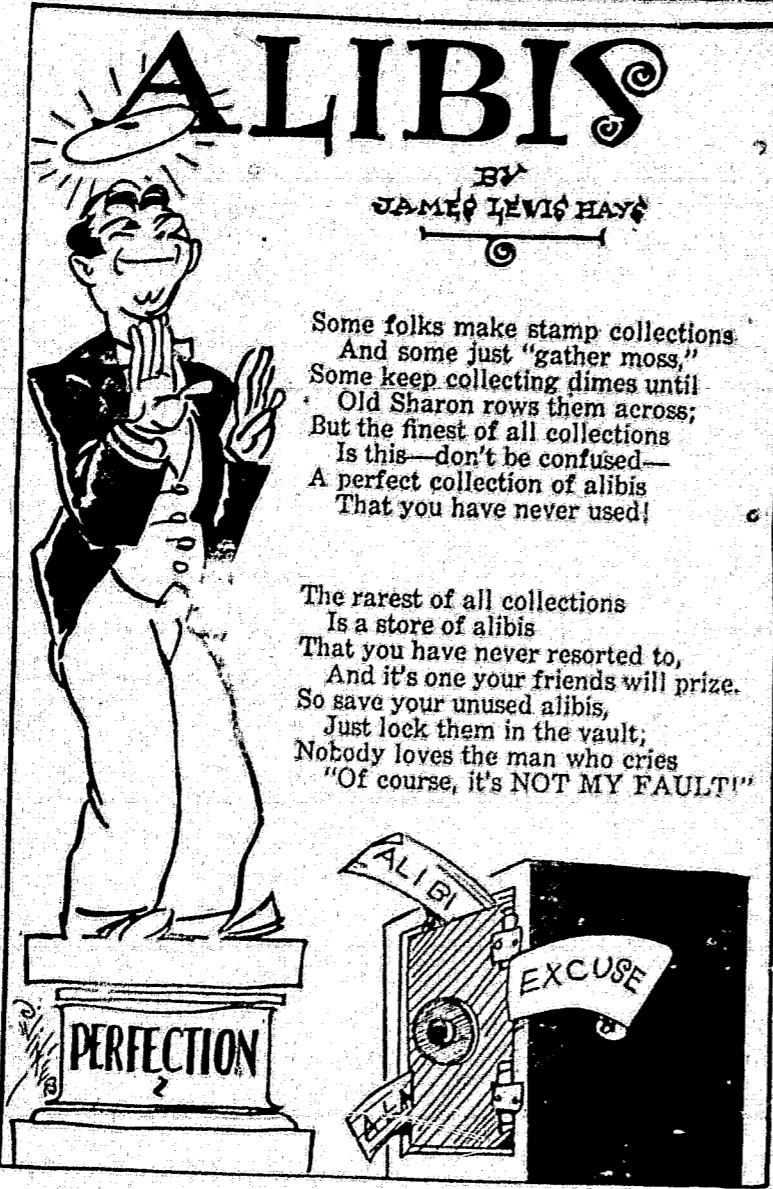
"When once clear down," replied Sandy, "there's only one direction remaining—straight up. Now well have to go to buy, no melon guard like, no corner to build and—no forth."

The river continued to rise until former high water records were broken. The railroad fill and the trestle over the valley were swept away, the bridge, undermined, fell into the channel, and the temporary accumulation of drift threw the force of the rushing current lengthwise across a long forty, sweeping away the old boats as well as the corn, and leaving chunks and pits twenty feet up in the variegated mud.

The evening, a week afterward, Sandy returned from what he had strenuously termed the daily exploration of the basement of his bottom land. "You know," he said to

Clay, "that by some strange act of the glacial drift, I happen to be the only gravel pit of any magnitude in this part of the state? There's no gravel all the highways in counties—and half can't ride the roads. Get me a pillow and blanket, for I'm going to camp out there tonight."

"Sandy Clay, you needn't tell me



Some folks make stamp collections. And some just "gather moss." Some keep collecting dimes until Old Sharon rows them across; But the finest of all collections is this—don't be confused! A perfect collection of alibis That you have never used!

The rarest of all collections Is a store of alibis That you have never resorted to, And it's one your friends will prize. So save your unused alibis, Just lock them in the vault; Nobody loves the man who cries "Of course, it's NOT MY FAULT!"

that gravel is so precious that you'll have to guard it like a melon patch!" Mrs. Clay's voice showed signs of strained patience, as she continued: "Has the hot sun on that wet ground filled you full of malaria and affected your head?"

"Not so much that I don't know I've found one of the largest and best preserved skeletons of the ancient mastodons ever brought to light. I had Professor Dean of the University on the phone today. He agreed with me, that such a fine specimen should bring a high figure. He's coming tomorrow. Meantime, I'm taking no chances of some other person having seen the find before I saw it."

"And the railroad company wants to buy the land. They'll give me a little to remove the gravel, then with a little dredging they'll change the course of the river to run through the long forty, cutting out the troublesome bend. They will relocate their track across the valley, bringing a bridge across the new channel before diverting the waters, so you see it might have been."

Mrs. Clay interrupted: "How much is that washed-out forty, that I advised you not to buy, going to bring—bones, gravel and all?"

"It should net \$20,000 or more," replied Sandy. "And by the way, Professor Dean said I could have my old position back within the year, at a substantial increase in salary, as there is to be a number of changes in the faculty, and—"

"Are to be Prof. Sanford Clay. If you're going back to the university, you'll have to commence polluting your language."

Professor Clay was giving his erstwhile lame foot the benefit of a few setting-up exercises as he replied: "That advice might have been worse."

How Squirrel Helps to Promote Forest Growth

All trees, you know, grow from seeds which other trees of the same kind bear. These may be red seeds, or they may be fruit with the seeds inside, or nuts, which are a form of seed themselves. Now, squirrels eat nuts, acorns, berries and other forms of seeds, and they store them away for winter use by burying them in the ground. In the autumn when the nuts are ripe, the squirrel frequently climbs to the end of the limb of a tree, where he cuts off the nut with his teeth and lets them drop to the ground. After cutting off a lot of them, he descends to the ground, finds a nut, carries it to his mouth until he finds a place that suits his fancy and there digs a hole three or four inches deep and large enough to hold his treasure. Then he drops the nut in the hole, pushes it down firmly with his nose and covers it with dirt.

Having buried one nut he goes and gets another and repeats the process. He will continue doing this for several hours at a time if he is not disturbed, and he will do it every day as long as the weather is fine and the nuts are plentiful. Eventually he has buried a lot of nuts, and then he goes where he has put them.

During very cold weather the squirrel sleeps, but when a sunny winter day comes along he wakes up and is hungry. So he climbs out of his snug nest and goes down to the ground to find some nuts to eat, hunting under the bark of those he buried months before. But he buries many more nuts than he can use during the winter and many of these are in just where he puts them, where they start to grow, continuing as long as they are not destroyed by animals or by some other way. These little trees form the young growth of the forest.

Thus each year these animals help to renew the growth of trees, which require those destroyed by accident or by man. It is because of them that the forest seems to remain just about the same all the time, unless

## NEWRY CORNER

James Coburn passed away Wednesday at the home of C. E. Burgess after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held Friday at Hanover, conducted by Mr. Edwards of Bethel. The body was placed in the Hanover tomb to await burial in the spring.

Mr. William Dearden, who has been visiting her daughter, Grace Bullock, for several weeks, returned to her home at West Greenwood Sunday.

Schools at Hanover and Newry closed Friday, March 21, for the spring vacation.

Miss Carolyn Towle was in town recently.

Three large trucks are hauling hard wood logs from Newry to West Paris.

Mrs. Carter, teacher at the Powers school went to her home at Mechanic Falls Friday to spend her vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Corbett expect to leave the first of April to take up work in Connecticut.

Mr. Gallant of Bethel is hauling birch to Thurston's mill that has been yarded along the roadside.

Miss Carrie Hastings and niece, Helen Hastings, from Washington, D. C., are visiting at the Hastings home at Swan's Corner.

John Harrington was in town Sunday.

Miss Hazel Smith has returned to her school at Richardson Hollow, Greenwood.

Mrs. Edna Smith recently visited at the home of Asa Howard, Northwest Bethel.

The Newry snow plow was through town Sunday.

Some of Mr. Enman's children are ill with chicken pox.

Mrs. Cedric Judkins' sister was in town Saturday while on her way to plan to spend several days.

GREENWOOD CENTER

John's birch mill was closed a few days last week on account of illness of the crew.

Eugene Elwell is working at West Paris.

School began in this vicinity March 21.

## Bilious — No Appetite!

...feel dull, listless, may have headache, nausea, eyesight blurry, and usually constipated bowels, with poor appetite. Don't wait for the condition to wear off, just bathe the old standard family remedies, and use as directed. Cut down on sweet or rich food, get exercise and rest, and you'll soon feel strong and well, walking everywhere.

"L. F." Atwood's Medicine

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## The Citizen Office

Mary Martis visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Deegan at West Greenwood recently. She also visited with her aunt, Mrs. Frank Bennett, at Locke Mills one day recently.

D. R. Cole was at Bethel one day last week.

Harry Tibbets is painting L. E. Elwell's cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Robison from South Bethel were recent visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole and Wesley Cole from Locke Mills were callers in this vicinity Sunday.

### Cautious

Helen Jean was having a good time playing with the neighbor who was calling. Just as the neighbor was leaving she picked up Helen Jean's coat and asked her whether she wouldn't like to go home with her for dinner.

"Just wait a minute," said Helen Jean. "What are you going to have for dinner?"

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THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1930

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW

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## QUESTIONS

- What mountains are between France and Spain?
- What are male honey bees called?
- Who was the author of Canterbury Tales?
- What is an igloo?
- About how much is a pound of sterling worth in our money?
- What are two of the most common drugs used by drug addicts?
- What day is St. Patrick's day?
- How often is a national census taken?
- What month is the prime of the flowers?
- Who was appointed chief justice to succeed Taft?
- What is the popular name for the people of Okinawa?
- What is a "darning egg"?

## ANSWERS

to Last Week's Questions

- Walter Raleigh.
- A garden in a back lot or other to waste land which is used for increasing food production.
- Notional Hawthorn.
- Yes.
- January 24, 1930.
- The eagle.
- Joseph Smith.
- The green trout.
- Dragon.
- Thirty-one.
- Sam Walker.
- No.

## Maine Industrial Review

Bingham Plans New Deal for rail  
and funds for a drainage sewer system  
in south end of town.Portland Standard Oil Company of  
New York designated the city as lead  
quarters for distribution in this ter-  
ritory.Portland Fidelity Trust Com-  
pany purchased a 50 per cent interest in  
Forest City Trust Company.Hancock's location of new build-  
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**No Rumble Seats for Elsa****LILLIACE M. MITCHELL**

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AS on the tip of her tongue to no, she wouldn't go! Say it? scream it and stamp her foot in anger. Instead a smile curved upwards and she said to him: "anks, Ted, I'll love to go, or

Fear was always considered a special property. They weren't to be married but it was more understood amongst the crowd sometime when Ted had enough up to buy a flat full of furniture such furniture as these told-ups they would be married.

is, though, was beginning to have doubts about the matter. Ted her to wear good clothes and in position to be really needed them they cost a pretty penny, though, not be denied. And when Ted did well. Elsa had to dress well she knew she would have the of a poor relation in for a visit, was the reason she had bought fur coat. She had paid a little for it than she had intended to when she entered the store. Oh, much more. But enough that payment was ten dollars more she had planned and the time strung out four months longer, it was a beautiful coat. Ted told her over and over again how she was of her in it and so Elsa much mind her skimpy lunches and her breakfasts that had to be limited to a glass of orange juice to make the payments.

hen Ted bought the new car, Elsa didn't care much about the one with rumble seat.

the trouble lay in the fact that never they did take anyone along, rumble seat was windy and cold if the girl they took didn't have coat. Elsa, being as one might the hostess, could not very well the guest sit out in the cold when herself had a comfortable fur. Thus it had come about that girl guest generally sat inside with Elsa all dressed up in her fur in the rumble seat with the girl who was often a man she isn't care a whoop about.

And inside she would see the girl sit closer to Ted who had an unusually low voice. It really was necessary to sit close to Ted to hear him. He always drove fast which necessitated close watching of the road ahead. His eyes on the road, his could never be seen.

"Mary and Bob are going along with us, Elsa," Ted said now.

"Oh—yes?" said Elsa.

Elsa wanted to run the hair on her temples as she looked at him but she reluctantly turned her face the other way.

On the way home she stopped in and bought the little jersey sport suit he had wanted for several weeks. that night she wore it. When they stopped for Mary and Bob, Mary merrily waited for Elsa to get out and jump up on the high rumble seat and smilingly greeted her and made no motion to leave her seat in the rest of the car.

"Say, Elsa—I hate to speak of it—aren't you going to sit in the rumble seat as usual?" Mary asked finally wrinkling her nose in a pretty, French fashion she had.

"Oh," Elsa said languidly. "I can't wait, Mary. I'd freeze in this thin little suit."

"Well, why didn't you wear your fur coat?" demanded Mary, a trace of anger in her voice.

"Why don't you wear your own?" asked Elsa lazily.

"I'll have to go upstairs and get it," Mary mumbled coldly.

Elsa said nothing.

On the country road, however, Ted said something. Something Elsa had been listening for a long time. "Say, why didn't you wear your fur coat?" he demanded.

"Because I'm sick and tired of sitting out in the rumble seat and watching some other girl snuggle up to you," said Elsa with some spirit. "And even in here I'm just freezing to death, if you ask me. You ought to get a heater, Ted."

But Ted had drawn up to the curb and was turned, looking at her. "And you'd rather sit in here—with me?" he asked.

She nodded.

"With—me?" he asked again.

"Yes, out, out, ja-ja! And likewise yes!" said Elsa.

"Well, can you tell it?" said Ted in joyous tones. "And I thought you offered to sit in that rumble because you were getting tired of me and would rather have the company of at least anyone we took along. Instead of having to listen to me. Say—Elsa—what do you say to getting married on Saturday afternoon, eh?"

"Married?" said Elsa hysterically. "Well, why not? Haven't we planned it for a long enough time now?" he demanded.

From behind them a voice announced that the guests were none too welcome. Ted waved his hand back at them and then took Elsa in his arms. The kiss that he gave her wasn't really—not at all!

"Sometimes," said Elsa philosophically. "It pays to be selfish—but I'll wear my fur coat Saturday."

"Um-um," agreed Ted, pulling into gear reluctantly. "But you're not going to ride in the rumble again—ever!"

**"Climax" Forests**

When undisturbed by man or fire, nature works constantly toward the perpetuation of certain forest types, says Forest and Mankind. These are called climax types, for they represent the type of forest best fitted to survive in that particular place. Although this climax type changes with the soil, it is the ultimate type that nature will grow in that particular environment. Even on opposite sides of the same hill we may find different types of climax forest.

**More Knowledge Superfluous**

It is very difficult to discourage a book canvasser. But one of the tributes his match when he tackled a solemn looking negro elevator attendant.

The negro listened while the canvasser enlarged on the vast stores of knowledge to be acquired from the work he was offering on the installment plan, then remarked, quietly: "Two-thirds be no manner o' use to me, sir. I knows heaps more now than I givs out for."

Coconut Grove (Fla.) has revived the old scheme to bell all cats as a measure of bird protection. Then they should put automatic sirens on dogs in order to protect the cats.

Indicating how science is outstripping the arts in these times, an unbreakable phonograph record has been invented and no one is writing indestructible music any more.

**NORTH LOVELL**

Mrs. Perley McKeen still remains quite weak after having been very sick with the grippe.

Guy Parker has been suffering with abscesses on his face. He has been obliged to have two lanced.

Mrs. Paisley has returned to her home, "Onaledge," after having spent some weeks in Lexington, Mass.

The Sewing Circle met with Mrs. Alta Meserve last Friday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Bull and Rev. Mr. Wentworth were at the Sunday afternoon service.

Mrs. Little Butters has been assisting Mrs. Abbie McKeen the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meserve spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry McKeen.

Bex Rolfe, who has been working at the mill at Slab City, has completed his job there and is to begin work in Durgin's mill at Bisbee town.

Sylvia and Madlyn Bird are spending part of their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Beckler in Albany.

Dr. Hubbard made several calls in town last Thursday.

**GREENWOOD CITY**

Evelyn Tammmer has returned home from Yarmouth.

George Cole of Yarmouth was at his home for the week end.

A birthday surprise party was given Mrs. Robert Morgan by her friends on Thursday evening.

Mrs. George Cole spent a few days recently with her daughter at East Bethel.

**GROVER HILL**

A snow storm this (Tuesday) morning.

M. F. Tyler and James Mundt have been hauling hay from the F. E. Wheeler farm which they cut and stored there last summer.

Mrs. M. F. Tyler has been very ill with flu, but is more comfortable at the present time.

Mrs. Frances Whitman has been seriously ill since Sunday.

E. B. Whitman arrived from Norway Sunday night to assist in the care of his mother at the home of C. L. Whitman.

Mrs. J. Burton Abbott has been ill. Cleve Waterhouse and family have been afflicted with the prevailing grip colds, but are improving.

Anson Kendall laid a chamber floor and did other carpenter jobs for his aunt, Mrs. Bertha Mundt, recently.

M. F. Tyler is confined to the house with the prevailing epidemic of colds.

Winfield Whitman, who has been very ill, is able to resume his studies at Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mundt are going to visit friends at Gorham, and from there Mrs. Mundt will visit her daughter.

Miss Alice L. Mundt, Art Museum Librarian in Worcester, Mass., and a sister and several nieces in Cambridge, Mass.

Mrs. Nell Cole has been sick with a very bad cold.

Freeman Morse and wife were in town Sunday, also Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carroll of Lewiston.

Gerald Billings is confined to the house with a cold.

Earl Buck is working for Ernest Billings hauling pulp.

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1—President Ortiz Rubio of Mexico (with head bandaged) making his first public appearance since the attempt on his life. 2—Bishop Manning of New York and other clergymen pray for an end to the Russian church persecutions. 3—C. W. Tombaugh of Lowell observatory, who discovered the new planet, with his first home-made telescope.

## NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

### Hopeful Signs in Business and Industry Indicate Returning Prosperity.

RETURNING prosperity is heralded in hopeful signs seen in various lines of business and industry in the United States. Reduction inrediscount rates by Federal Reserve banks and cheaper rail money have given great vitality to the stock market. Money is cheaper today than it has been in five years. In New York the official call rate dropped to 2 per cent while some loans were made outside at 1½ per cent.

The United States employment service in Washington reports that business and industry are consolidating the progress made in January for an expected upturn in employment during the spring months. The automobile industry has made a sharp upward swing in production, registering the largest output of passenger cars and trucks since 1929. Other industries such as electric equipment, airplane, silk and rayon show increasing activity with a full complement of workers.

The gigantic building programs projected throughout the country, together with great betterment programs by public utility companies, will furnish employment to an army of workers, the report states.

WORLD WAR II demonstrations have been featuring the struggle between established religion and the atheistic communism of Russia. Bishop Walter T. Manning of New York recently participated with other clergymen in a prayerful protest against Russia's anti-religious policy at service held at the cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York city.

Pope Pius before a congregation of 20,000 in St. Peter's in Rome, led Catholics of the world in intercessory services against atheistic persecution in Soviet Russia. In Peking, New York, London and many other cities, Catholics participated in similar services.

Anti-religious demonstrations continue in various parts of Russia and plans have been completed by the Society of Mutual Athletes for the opening of an anti-God congress.

Germany and Czechoslovakia report attacks by communists on churches in some parts of those countries.

HOPE that a way has been found to break the Franco-Italian deadlock over naval parity, which threatened the very life of the peace-power naval conference in London, was seen in remarks made by Aristide Briand, French foreign minister, after a private talk with Premier MacDonald M. Briand said:

"Always when things seem at their worst one finds a way out. That is true now. We have been talking about means to bring the conference to a successful conclusion and we do not go to any extreme means as quickly as possible."

In refusing to disclose details, the French foreign minister said:

"I am in the hands of my colleagues and shall not say what I am thinking for I always do what I think."

He added: "We have had the best possible discussions and experts have been working on negotiations over

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PRIMO DE RIVERA rests in a soldier's grave, honored by the highest tributes a nation can bestow. The body of the man who ruled Spain as dictator for six years and then went into exile, was placed beside the body of his wife in San Isidro cemetery in Madrid.

Premier Berenguer and foremost dignitaries of the country, including King Alfonso, participated in the funeral.

The man, who in 1923 seized, and for six years held in his soldier's hand, the destinies of 20,000,000 Spaniards and the ancient dynasty, came to his end suddenly and alone in a hotel room, a virtual exile. He had lived there quietly for the month that elapsed since he took the blow from his successor that his presence in Spain might be dangerous and would complicate the issue of a transition government and expand the frontier into France. De Rivera was in his sixty-first year.

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